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SUBJECT: FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER (U)

REFERENCES: (A) AFSCF-SP0/YG MSG (U), SUBJ: HANDOVER OF 61

DTG 27/2016Z MAR 81.

(B) CGS MSG (S), SUBJ: CGS FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER STATUS.

DTG 28/2030Z MAR 81.

1. (U) SPACE DIVISION RECOMMENDED AT THE PRE-HANDOVER BRIEFING ON 25 MARCH AND BOTH ADCOM AND SAC AGREED TO DELAY FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER UNTIL THE TWO CONCERNS PRESENTED WERE RESOLVED/CORRECTED. BASED ON THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS COMPLETED REGARDING THE LINK 3 ALARMS (REFERENCE B) AND THE POSITION PROPOSED BY SPACE DIVISION ON THE COMMAND AND RANGING PROBLEM (REFERENCE A), AFSCF/J-3 CONSIDERS THESE TWO CONCERNS RESOLVED.

2. UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR CONCURRENCE TO THIS MESSAGE, A/J-3 IS PREPARED TO RELEASE A JOINT A/J-3 AND SAC/SX MESSAGE, EFFECTING FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER AT 61

3. PROPOSED TEXT OF THE MESSAGE IS AS FOLLOWS: PARA. BARRING ANY FUTURE MISSION-IMPACTING ANOMALIES, OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF SSP

LT COL ELLENBURG, J-3FD, 3309, 30
MAR 81/JIS

LLOYD E. THOMAS, COL, USAF

SIGNED

DO READ FILE

SATELLITE, FLIGHT 9 WILL BE HANDOVER TO ADCOM/TAC EFFECTIVE 2000Z, 10 MAR 81. INTERIM OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY IS DECLARED AT HANDOVER. FORMAL TURNOVER OF THE SATELLITE TO ADCOM/TAC AS A FULLY OPERATIONAL ASSET IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 15 APRIL 81. PARA 2 DESCRIBES THE OPERATIONAL SATELLITE CONFIGURATION AFTER HANDOVER TO INCLUDE LOCATION OF FLIGHT 7, 8 AND 9. PARA 3 ^{STATES:} ~~AT~~ FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER, FLIGHT 6 SATELLITE CONTROL AUTHORITY IS TRANSFERRED TO THE AFMCP. FOLLOWING FLIGHT 9 TURNOVER 61, FLIGHT 6 WILL BE REPOSITIONED TO THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE STORAGE POINT AT 100 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE, PLUS OR MINUS 10 DEGREES. FLIGHT 3 WILL BE EVALUATED FOR END OF LIFE TESTING FOLLOWING FLIGHT 9 TURNOVER. PARA 4 IS: THIS IS A COORDINATED ADCOM/J-3, SAC/CX MESSAGE.

4. (U) REQUEST YOUR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE TO THIS MESSAGE TO FACILITATE RELEASE OF THE REFERENCED FLIGHT 9 HANDOVER MESSAGE.

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